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Greetings David,

It took a while, but I was able to talk to Herman Wong this afternoon regarding Region 10’s approval of the air dispersion modelling for the Donlin Gold Project.

In an October 2015 memo to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), Herman describes R10’s decision to approve the use of the surface friction velocity (u•) non-default/beta option (u• option) in Version 15181 of the American Meteorological Society/Environmental Protection Agency Regulatory Improvement Committee (AERMIC) meteorological (AERMET) preprocessor program for the Donlin Gold Project.

Herman provided notification of R10’s decision to the Model Clearinghouse (C/H) in the HQ EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS).

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I hope this helps clarify where things stand. I will touch base again with Herman to see if there are any loose ends.

Thanks

Mark

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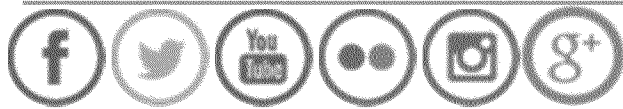
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Hmmm, that name rings a bell.

Mark – thanks for the continued updates. On the air modelling issue mentioned in your earlier meeting, am I correct in reading into that message that EPA (HQ and R10) has no more to do to get the air dispersion modelling approved? I had a brief discussion with Dennis last week where he expressed a concern about something remaining to be done to get the approval finalized. If we are truly done, I'd like to let him know that.



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I wanted to let you know that our Point of Contact with Donlin Gold LLC for the project will be Patty McGrath.

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Thanks

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